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COUNTRY East GermanyREPORT NO. TOPIC Soviet Troop TrainsEVALUATION 25X1PLACE OBTAINED 25X1 DATE OF CONTENT March 1954DATE OBTAINED 25X1DATE PREPARED 27 April 1954

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25X1 CB - Converted Boxcar; B - Boxcar; F - Flatcar; RRym - Heavy-Duty Flatcar

25X1 Troop trains from the Halle
7 and 29 March 1954 included:

<u>Date in</u> <u>March</u>	<u>Composition of</u> <u>Troop Trains</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
7	6 B, 5 F, 4 RRym	Halle	Dorndorf
10	4 CB, 5 F	"	Dorndorf
17	4 CB, 3 F, 2 RRym	"	Dorndorf
18	13 B, 34 F	"	Ohrdruf
	11 CB, 21 F, 2 RRym	"	Ohrdruf
	4 CB, 22 F	"	Ohrdruf
	5 CB, 17 F	"	Ohrdruf
	6 CB, 17 F	"	Ohrdruf
28	4 CB, 5 F	"	Dorndorf
	3 B, 9 F, 6 RRym	"	Naumburg
	3 CB, 24 F	"	Freyburg/Unstrut
29	3 CB, 23 F	"	Bad Koesen

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Date in March	Composition of Troop Trains	From	To
21	2 CB, 4 F, 5 RRym	Grimma	Schwepnitz
22	4 CB, 9 F, 7 RRym	"	"
7	2 B, 2 F, 3 RRym	Wurzen	"
21	2 B, 8 F	"	"

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2. The following troop trains from the Cottbus railroad district were listed in railroad records between 3 and 25 March:

Date in March	Composition of Troop Trains	From	To
6	5 B, 16 F	Schwepnitz	Chrdruf
7	1 B, 14 F	"	Weimar
8	2 B, 12 F	"	Frauenhain
	18 RRym	"	"
9	25 B, 37 F	"	Weissenfels
12	6 B, 8 F, 6 RRym	"	Chemnitz
17	4 B, 10 F, 2 RRym	"	Jacobsthal
6	3 B, 7 F, 4 RRym	Luebben	Spremberg
25X1 25	4 CB, 9 F, 3 RRym	"	Peitz
25X1 3	3 B, 3 F, 12 RRym	Cottbus	Brand
11	14 CB, 32 F	Ksmenz	Chemnitz

25X1 1. Comment. The troop trains carried components of the 21st Gds Mech Div to the Lossa troop training grounds for combat firing practice.

25X1 2. Comment. On 18 March 1954, the departure of four troop trains from Halle-Ammendorf to the Erfurt railroad district. The six troop trains reported in the present report hauled components of the 21st Gds Mech Div to field exercises which also included contingents of the 57th Gds Mtz Rifle Div and were held in the Chrdruf-Gotha area on about 18, 19 and 20 March 1954. Components of the 21st Gds Mech Div in Halle included: the 54th Gds How Arty Regt, 19th Gds Hv Tank SP Regt, until 10 March; and the 68th Gds Mech Regt.

25X1 3. Comment. troops of the 21st Gds Mech Div also participated in the maneuver; the assumption is confirmed by pertinent troop trains in the present report.

25X1 4. Comment. The troop trains from Grimma and Wurzen carried contingents of the 8th Gds Mech Div to field exercises at division level in the Koenigsbrueck-Zeithain area.

25X1 5. Comment. Between 6 and 17 March 1954, units returned from Schwepnitz to their home stations after termination of combat firing practice at the Koenigsbrueck troop training grounds. The troop trains from Chemnitz probably carried components of the 6th Gds AAA Div (US).

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6. [] Comment. The troop train from Lubben on 6 March 1954 which carried con-
25X1 tinguents of the 91st Tank Regt of the 9th Mech Div was previously reported. []
25X1 [] The other troop train of this regiment to Peitz on 25 March
25X1 is reported for the first time. [] 91st Tank Regt until 25
25X1 March 1954. The troop train from Cottbus to Brand on 3 March is also reported
25X1 for the first time. The train carried an element of the 70th Mech Regt of the
25X1 9th Mech Div [] confirmed until 3 March 1954.

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